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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted in the above-captioned national stage application of PCT/EP99/02969 filed on even date herewith. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1, 2 and 7 as follows:

1. (Amended) Process for producing medicament-containing effervescent preparations [consisting of] comprising
- A. effervescent composition [containing] comprising
- (i) CO₂ donor and
- (ii) acidic component,
- B. pharmaceutical active substance and
- C. ancillary substance,

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